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**HOLIDAY HOURS:** City Hall and the Library will CLOSE at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 23 and remain **CLOSED Christmas weekend**. Regular hours will resume at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 29.

The Library will close at 5 p.m. on New Year's Eve and will be closed New Year's Day. Regular hours will resume on Saturday, January 2. *Please return materials to the outdoor book drops on the west (James Avery) side of the building.*



## 10th Anniversary Open House Thursday, December 3 5-7 pm

You're Invited! Please join us on Thursday as we celebrate the Bee Cave Library's 10 Year Anniversary! Enjoy live music, bee cookies and other refreshments, face painting, crafts and games for the kids, and a slide show of library patrons & programs from 2005-2015.

***Bring an item for our Time Capsule to be opened in 2025!***

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## WHAT'S FOR LUNCH? A MONTHLY PROGRAM FOR ADULTS AT THE LIBRARY

**EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 2  
12-1:00 PM**



**Holiday Entertaining:  
How to Plan a Party!**  
with professional chef  
**Beth Pav**

No reservations necessary. Lunch provided, or bring your own. (\$5 donations welcome!)



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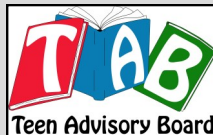
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## WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

A MONTHLY PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

December 2  
January 6

Holiday Entertaining: How to Plan a Party" with Chef Beth Pav  
"Container Gardening" with The Natural Gardener

Join us the 1st Wednesday of each month from 12-1 pm. No reservations required. Light lunch provided or bring your own!

## Knitting Club

Thursday, December 3 7 - 8 p.m.

Enjoy a relaxed evening in the library with a community of friendly knitters and crocheters. We'll meet in the library immediately after the 10th Anniversary Party,

## E-Reader 101

Wednesday, December 9

Saturday, December 12

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Our "techie" is in! Get help using OverDrive, OneClickdigital Audiobooks or Zinio Digital Magazine service on your mobile device. Stop in during the session to get one-on-one help with a librarian. Learn how to get free books, audiobooks and magazines to read on your Kindle, Nook or iPad. Be sure to bring your device!

## Friends of the Library Meeting

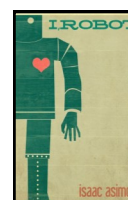
No Meeting in December

The Friends of the Library usually meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month to discuss ways to support the library's mission through fundraising, volunteering, and advocacy. Consider joining the Friends and giving back to your library! Next Meeting Jan. 13 @ 4 pm.

## Bee Cave Book Club

Thursday, December 10 7 - 8 p.m.

The Bee Cave Book Club is an informal and diverse group who come together every 2nd Thursday to discuss the group-selected fiction or nonfiction titles. During the hour members share laughter, ideas, and their love of books. New members are always welcome, even if you haven't read this month's selection. The December selection is *Exodus*, by Leon Uris. In January, we will discuss *I, Robot*, by Isaac Asimov. Copies are available at the library in a variety of formats.



## Lake Travis Fiction Writers

Tuesday, December 15 7 - 9 p.m.

Meets at The Old Bee Cave School House, next to the Police Department.

Whether you're a seasoned novelist or working on your first short story, find support and receive feedback from other area writers. If you wish, please bring approximately 5 pages of any piece of fiction on which you are currently working, or a draft of a query letter and/or synopsis, to share with the group. Happy writing! Questions? Email library@beecavetexas.gov.

## PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

### Teen Advisory Board

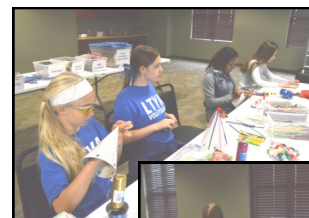
Saturday, December 5

2:00 p.m.

Get volunteer hours by joining our Teen Advisory Board! Spend an hour each month coming up with ideas on how to make the library a cool place for teens. Snacks, activities, brainstorming and a chance to boss the library around--how many volunteer jobs offer that?

For teens grades 7-12.

Questions? Email Cate at csweeney@beecavetexas.gov.



TAB teens earned service hours by helping to prep games and crafts for the 10th Anniversary Party.

## PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

### Baby Bumblebees Storytime

2nd & 4th Tuesdays  
10:30 & 11:15 a.m.

For ages 0 to 18 months

Babies, bring your grown-ups to enjoy stories, rhymes & songs as they learn engaging ways to prepare children for reading.

### Preschool Pals Storytime

Thursdays, 10:30 & 11:15 a.m.  
For ages 3 to 5 years

Join us at the library for 20-30 minutes of storytimes, songs, and fingerplays every Thursday at 10:30 or 11:15 a.m.

### Toddler Tales Storytime

Fridays, 10:30 & 11:15 a.m.  
For ages 1-1/2 to 3 years

Join us at the library for 15-25 minutes of storytimes, songs, and fingerplays every Friday at 10:30 or 11:15 a.m.

### BEE CRAFTY

Tuesday, December 8  
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

A creative after-school event on the 2nd Tuesday of each month:

December 8

January 12

February 9

Supplies provided....fun guaranteed!

**Best for families with children grades K-3.**

### CHESS CLUB

Wednesday, December 16  
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Meet fellow chess enthusiasts and learn new strategies. All young chess lovers welcome, from novices to advanced.

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month in Community Room A above the library.

**Best for ages 6-12.**

STORYTIME FOLKS: Please join us this month in welcoming Melissa Burke, our new Youth Services Specialist, as she takes over Storytime duties.

"Miss Meliss" has worked in early literacy for many years and is excited to join the Bee Cave team.

Check out her biography in last month's newsletter [HERE](#).



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## RITA BAUER, Circulation Supervisor

My name is Rita Bauer and I have worked with the City of Bee Cave for 6 years now. There are countless reasons why I love my job, but I especially enjoy getting to know our patrons, old and new. I really feel like I'm making a difference in our community when I watch children grow as readers. I think that's the best part of my job. I was born in Orange County, California and grew up in the same city all my life. I'm the youngest of nine children and I know that I'm spoiled rotten (I will own up to it!). Since I was born in the area, I also consider myself to be one of the original "Housewives of Orange County." I've been married to my husband for 32 years and we have three children, who are all away in school. Our son Jonathan will be graduating in December from Texas State, our son Travis is currently in Dental School, and our daughter Marisa is pursuing nursing. To say I'm a proud parent is an understatement. I enjoy cooking, scrapbooking, knitting, and spending time with my family. And when we have extra time, I especially love taking long drives with my hubby while we discover new areas of Texas!



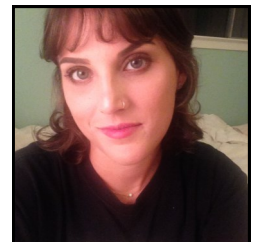
## STEPHANIE SHELTON, Library Clerk/Volunteer Coordinator



Stephanie Shelton joined the Bee Cave Public Library staff in April 2013 after her family moved from Santa Rosa, California, to the city of Bee Cave in June 2012. Stephanie had been a stay at home mom for 13 years prior to becoming a full time library clerk and volunteer coordinator. As an avid reader, with a strong sense of community passion, Stephanie loves her role at the Bee Cave Public Library. Before working at the library, she worked part-time at her son's elementary school where she was the Science Lab Facilitator. She wore many different hats through the years including three years as Second Vice President of the Austin Creek Elementary School Parents Club and also served as Executive Director on the Board for seven years. During that time, Stephanie was Chairwoman of multiple committees and responsible for coordinating large events that would involve hundreds of volunteers. Stephanie also served as Executive Director for three years on the Rincon Valley Youth Soccer Association Board, where she was responsible for coordinating teams and recruiting coaching staff. Among other endeavors she enjoyed was volunteering as an Art Docent for grades K-6 where she went into the classroom and taught different types and styles of art to students of all ages. Stephanie enjoys reading historical fiction and thrillers with some of her favorite authors being Kate Morton, Emma Donoghue, and Karen Robards. She is trying to expand her knowledge of the young adult (YA) section of the library and has enjoyed many good ones recently. She also loves to knit and attends our monthly Knitting Club here at the library.

## MELISSA SLAUGHTER, Library Clerk

Melissa Slaughter has been working at Bee Cave Public library for over a year now, and loves it! When she's not in the library helping patrons, she is busy crafting up some of your favorite program activities and displays. Melissa is originally from Washington D.C., but moved to Texas to attend University of North Texas where she double majored in Studio Art and Communications. In her free time, Melissa likes to run outside, draw and screen print, and watch 80's action movies. She loves kitties, and has terrible vision.



## BARBARA HATHAWAY, Library Director



Barbara Hathaway has been the Director of Bee Cave Public Library since it opened in late 2005. Born in upstate New York, she met her Texan husband as an undergraduate in New York and moved to Austin in the mid-70s where she got her library degree and a law degree from UT. After a few years as a litigator with a downtown law firm, she retired from practicing law to raise her three children. Upon returning to the work force 10 years ago she came to her senses, left the legal field, and returned to her first love - libraries - helping to open the Bee Cave Public Library in 2005. She has three grown children, two of whom live in Austin, and enjoys reading, hiking, skiing, Longhorn football and a serious addiction to various TV series including "Game of Thrones," "House of Cards" and "Amazing Race." Favorite authors include Michael Connelly, Louise Penny, and Larry McMurtry.

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